

**REMARKS**

Applicants appreciate the Examiner's careful consideration and favorable treatment of the claims.

Applicants respectfully request the entry of the above amendment under 37 CFR 1.312(a).

The present amendment under 37 CFR 1.312(a) conforms the specification to the claim language by clarifying that the bonding layer, which is described throughout the specification, can also be referred to as a "protective covering layer" as set forth in the claims. No new matter is being introduced as the paragraph that is being amended describes that the bonding layer represents a protective covering.

The proposed amendment in no way changes the scope of the disclosure of the specification or the scope of the claims. Such amendment clearly requires the Examiner to do no further searching or examination of the application.

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